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APPLICANT: Robert R. Rice EXAMINER: Tod Thomas Van Roy
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TITLE: SCALABLE WAVELENGTH SHIFTED LASER SOURCE AND
METHOD

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being sent via facsimile transmission to Commissioner for Patents, Mail Stop Amendment, Group Art Unit 2828, Attention: **Tod Thomas Van Roy**, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, at fax number (571) 273-8300, on January 20, 2006.



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Commissioner for Patents
Mail Stop Amendment
Group Art Unit 2828
Attention: **Examiner Tod Thomas Van Roy**
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action mailed December 21, 2005, in connection with the above-designated application. A response to the Office Action is due January 21, 2005. Therefore, this Response is timely filed.

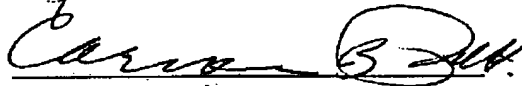
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Election/Restriction

In response to the Election/Restrictions, Applicant elects, without traverse, to prosecute claims 1, 3, 4, 11, 12 and 13 in the present application. Applicant reserves the right to prosecute the remaining claims in divisional applications.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Carmen B. Patti', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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Dated: January 20, 2006

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